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This application relates to the following co-pending United States Patent Application, incorporates them by reference in their entirety and is assigned to the assignee of the present invention:

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09/536,541 03/28/00 Ashdown et al. Intelligent Communications Point Platform
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